

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application, as amended.

Applicant acknowledges, with appreciation, the indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 21, 23, 30, 31, 34-36, and 39-41.

Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the existence of an official communication in the nature of an Office Action dated June 15, 2007, issued by the European Patent Office in the corresponding European Patent Application No. EP 1108249. *McKesson Information Solutions, Inc. v. Bridge Medical, Inc.*, No. 2006-1517 (Fed. Cir. May 18, 2007).

By this Amendment, Applicant has amended Claims 20 and 29 to include subject matter indicated as being allowable. Claim 31 has also been amended for consistency. Claims 21, 23, 30, 34-36, and 39-41 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and Claims 46-52 have been added. Claims 1-19, 22, 24, 25, and 32 were previously canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, Claims 20, 26-29, 31, 33, 37, 38, 42-52 are pending, with Claims 20, 29, 46, and 50 being independent.

Without acceding to the rejections, independent Claims 20 and 29 have been amended to include subject matter indicated as being allowable over the applied references. More specifically, independent Claim 20 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable Claim 21 (now canceled), and independent Claim 29 has been amended to include the subject matter of allowable Claim 30 (now canceled). Furthermore, with respect to new independent Claims 46 and 50, new Claim 46 includes the subject matter of Claim 20 and allowable Claim 23 (now canceled), and

new Claim 50 includes the subject matter of Claim 29 and allowable Claim 34 (now canceled). Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that independent Claims 20, 29, 46, and 50 distinguish patentably from the applied references.

Further, new dependent Claims 47-49 correspond to dependent Claims 39-41 (now canceled), and new dependent Claims 51 and 52 correspond to dependent Claims 35 and 36 (now canceled).

Dependent Claims 26-28, 31, 33, 37, 38, 42-45, 47-49, 51, and 52 are also believed to be patentable due to dependence from their respective base claims, as well as for the additional features respectively recited in Claims 26-28, 31, 33, 37, 38, 42-45, 47-49, 51, and 52.

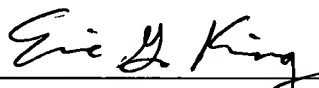
In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

However, should the Examiner believe that any further action is necessary to place this application in better form for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 (T2146-906833) any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been separately requested, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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